GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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RELEASE OF FUNDS TO MAHARASHTRA
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have earmarked certain amount to Maharashtra for upgradation of Food and Drugs Administration Headquarters, Drugs Control Laboratory at Mumbai and Aurangabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this amount has since been released to the State Government of Maharashtra;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when it would be released by the Union Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The total value of assistance to be provided to Aurangabad and Mumbai Laboratories under the World Bank Capacity Building Project has been assessed at Rs.4.16 crore. The negotiations with the World Bank are over and the project is in the process of final approval.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): The project is yet to be finally approved.

(e): The project is likely to become effective from October, 2003.